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**School May Soon be Out, But Summer Reading is In!**  
*Children and Teens Invited to Take Part in Library's Summer Reading Program*

**SAN DIEGO** – Summer is a great time to pick up a book and continue to improve reading skills. Children and teens are invited to take part in the City of San Diego Public Library's annual Summer Reading Program, which begins June 15 and continues through July 30.

"With so many students on vacation from school, reading books is an especially important activity during the summer months," said City Library Director Anna Tatár. "We encourage all students to take part in the Library's Summer Reading Program."

For children up to 12 years old, the theme of the program is "Go for the Gold: Read." Kids who read 10 books will receive special prizes, including a sports visor and free admission to the San Diego Aerospace Museum, San Diego Hall of Champions and San Diego Natural History Museum.

The program's theme for teens is "Exercise Your Mind: Read." Participants in grades 7-12 can receive prizes for reading books or writing short reviews of library materials and teen programs.

The program, available at all 35 City libraries, will also include many special events such as magic shows, music performances, arts and crafts projects, and other fun activities.

The Library began the annual Summer Reading Program in 1924. The goals of the program are to keep children and teens reading, learning and improving their reading skills, and stretching their imaginations during the summer. Reading improves literacy and helps students do better in school. Last year, nearly 26,000 children and teens enrolled in the program. More than 40,000 attended program events.

For more details about the free program and information about how to sign up, contact or visit your local library.

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